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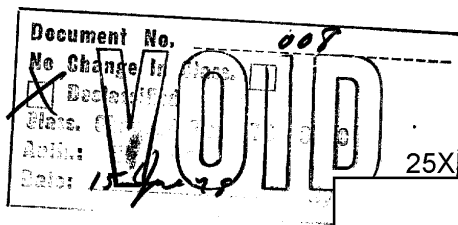
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The former Soviet military Attache in Tehran, Colonel Boris Georgiyevich
Rasin, is now stationed with a troop command in the region of Ashkhabad
and Sarakh.

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- The following types of motorcycles are being manufactured in the Soviet Union:

M-1A at Gorki
M-1E at Yaroslavl
GK-1 at Moscow
IZh-350 at Izhevsk
M-72 and K-125 at Irbit
L-300 and Talin TIS at Leningrad
Kometa at Ufa

The government has shipped 500 motorcycles to Samarkand. With the shipment were dispatched from the central headquarters of the Soviet Army ten male and four female instructors under the command of a certain Rudin.

- On 14 August 1949 Admiral Golovko, Chief of Staff of the Soviet Navy, arrived in Baku for an inspection of the Caspian coast installations.
- On 28 August 1949 there arrived in Baku a paratroop detachment under the command of Lieutenant Vladimir Kochkin. This detachment is composed of the following individuals, who are under training for night drops:

Yevgrafov
Dobrovski
Elasov
Vladimirov
Kartachov
Safarov
Aliyev

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Prior to 28 November 1949

- The former Soviet Military Attache in Tehran, Colonel Boris Georgiyevich Rasin, [] troop command in the region of Ashkhabad

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(37-57N, 58-22E) and Sarakh (36-31N, 61-13E).

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5. At Sarakhs are battalions numbered 1, 2, and 3 belonging to a regimental headquarters located in that town. The regiment is part of the 53rd Division of Frontier Guards. [redacted] the headquarters of the 53rd Division is located at Pul-i-Khatun.*

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6. There is an inordinate volume of military vehicular traffic to and from the Soviet border post of Chaacha, suggesting that Chaacha is a post of more than normal importance.

Prior to 21 December 1949

7. The Soviets have organized three Air Force armies with long-range striking power. The commanding officer of the three armies is Air Force Marshal Golovanov, whose headquarters is at Smolensk. The first of these armies also has its headquarters at Smolensk and is under the direct command of Marshal Golovanov. The second army is commanded by General Rudakov, with headquarters at Khabarovsk. The third army is commanded by General Strunikov, with headquarters at Umagne, near Kiev. The strategic center of these armies is actually at Irkutsk, which is also the training center. The Soviets are short of pilots to fill the ranks of these armies.
8. At General Staff Headquarters in Moscow there is a special Artillery Council presided over by Artillery Marshal Voronov and composed of the following officers:

Marshal Yakovlev
General of the Army Shtemenko
Marshal of the Armored Forces Bogdanov
General of the Army Khrulov
President of the Academy of Ballistics Lt. Gen. Blagonravov
Col. Gen. of Artillery Nedelin
Assistant Chief of the Political Division of the MVD Military Forces of the USSR Lt. Gen. Pronin.

MVD Gen. Pronin is actually the dominating factor in the Council. In addition to their responsibilities as members of the Council, the following officers are individually responsible for artillery organization in certain specific territories:

General Shtemenko in the Balkans
General Khrulov in Soviet Turkestan
General Nedelin in Trans-Caucasia
General Bogdanov in China.

25X1 [redacted] Comment: It is highly unlikely that Pul-i-Khatun would be a divisional headquarters for this part of the frontier. [redacted]

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